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## Little League teams went to see "Boys of Summer" at the cinemas

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Last Sunday, during the Aruba International Film Festival the documentary 'Boys of Summer' was screened at the Paseo Herencia.

Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar was also among the invitees. She was so impressed with the film that she saw to it that

our little leaguers got the necessary transportation to see the film, which was repeated last Wednesday. No less than 150 players from Noord, Santa Cruz, and San Nicolas were present. For them it was an awesome experience, to walk the red carpet and view the film.

In this documentary the producer shows the passion for

baseball of kids of a relative young. Not only to participate but their effort to win and their sadness when they lose. It showed our future baseball players how kids of their own age can achieve big things in life, but thru hard work.

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## Van der Sloot taken to prison on murder charge

LIMA, Peru (AP) — Angry Peruvian onlookers shouted "Disgrace!" and "Murderer" at Joran van der Sloot yesterday after a judge ordered him jailed on first-degree murder and robbery charges in the violent killing of a 21-year-old Lima woman.

Prosecutors said the Dutchman, who was taken to a segregated block of an eastern Lima prison, acted with "ferocity and great cruelty" in killing business student Stephany Flores in his hotel room after they met playing poker.

Van der Sloot remains the lone suspect in the 2005 disappearance of U.S. teen Natalee Holloway on Aruba, and Peru's criminal police chief says the defendant told interrogators he knows where her body is.

Aruba's attorney general, Taco Stein, said yesterday he is skeptical Van der Sloot was telling the truth about Holloway's body. He said Aruban officials will decide whether to sent investigators to Peru to question him once they learn exactly what he is offering.

Lima Superior Court Judge Juan Buendia issued a detention order before dawn for Van

der Sloot on the murder charge. He was first taken with other prisoners in an armored truck to Lima's judicial palace, then alone to the maximum-security Castro Castro prison.

Police manhandled Van der Sloot as they ushered him to the judicial palace, a scarf around his neck and his hands cuffed behind him.

The more virulent catcalls and bile — the sensational case has dominated Peru's news for a week — came from onlookers as he was taken from the prosecutor's office where he had been held since Thursday. One onlooker threw spoiled lettuce.

Police say Van der Sloot brutally murdered Flores three days after meeting her at a casino. He broke her nose, strangled her, threw her to the floor then emptied her wallet and drove away in her SUV, said Gen. Cesar Guardia, chief of the criminal police.

The 6-foot-3 (190-centimeter-tall) Van der Sloot took about \$300 worth of Peruvian currency, two credit cards and Flores' national ID card, Guardia said. He said the suspect abandoned her car in a

lower-class Lima neighborhood before fleeing south to Chile by bus.

If convicted on the murder and robbery charges, Van der Sloot would be sentenced to between 15 and 35 years in prison, court spokesman Luis Gallardo said.

"The aggravating factors are having acted with ferocity and great cruelty," said a news release issued by the court that announced the charges.

At Castro Castro prison, Van der Sloot was fed, prisons director Ruben Rodriguez said. The Dutchman will have his own cell in a small block near the director's office.

The only other two prisoners on the block are a reputed Colombian hit man charged with strangling a Peruvian socialite and a provincial mayor charged with laundering drug money.

It was not yet known when the trial might begin. A judge must first be assigned to hear the case.

The police chief told the AP on Thursday night that when Van der Sloot confessed to killing Flores, investigators asked him about the Holloway case.

"He let slip that he knew the place where this person was buried," Guardia said.

The general said the Dutchman told investigators "he would only testify on the matter before Aruba authorities."

He said he didn't know how seriously to take Van der Sloot's comment given his history of dubious statements the Alabama teen's disappearance.

Stein, the Aruba attorney general, was cautious about the development.

"I'm not getting my hopes up," he said. "Let's face it, he has been telling us many stories many times before."

Stein said that even if Van der Sloot did reveal what happened to Holloway, there was no guarantee her remains would be found.

## At least 20 dead, many missing in Arkansas flood

HOUSTON, Texas — Flash floods swept through a campground in western Arkansas overnight, killing at least 20 people as they slept and leaving an estimated 36 missing, state officials said yesterday.

A wall of water, triggered by heavy rains that swelled the Little Missouri River to 20 feet, caught victims asleep in their tents at the Albert Pike campground in the Ouachita Mountains west of Little Rock, authorities said.

The death toll hit 20, according to a spokesman for Arkansas Governor Mike Beebe, who traveled to the scene of the flooding.

Children were among the dead.

Television images showed cabins reduced to rubble and mobile homes and vehicles overturned by the waters.

"There was a significant amount of rainfall last night and water quickly rose along the campsites," said Arkansas State Police spokesman Bill Sadler.

Authorities were using boats and helicopters to search the remote area for survivors, he said.

A spokesman for the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management said that some 36 people were missing. There could have been up to 300 people in the camp ground, Beebe told said, citing Red Cross figures.

## Pope begs forgiveness for sexual abuse scandal

VATICAN CITY — Pope Benedict begged forgiveness from God and victims of child sexual abuse by priests yesterday and vowed that the Catholic Church would do everything in its power to ensure that it never happens again.

Benedict made his comments, some of his clearest ever about the scandal that has swept the Church around the world, during a homily in St Peter's Square to conclude the Roman Catholic Church's

"Year of the Priest" celebrations.

Benedict said the year that was to have celebrated the priesthood had been marred because "the sins of priests came to light, particularly the abuse of the little ones."

"We too insistently beg forgiveness from God and from the persons involved, while promising to do everything possible to ensure that such abuse will never occur again," he said.

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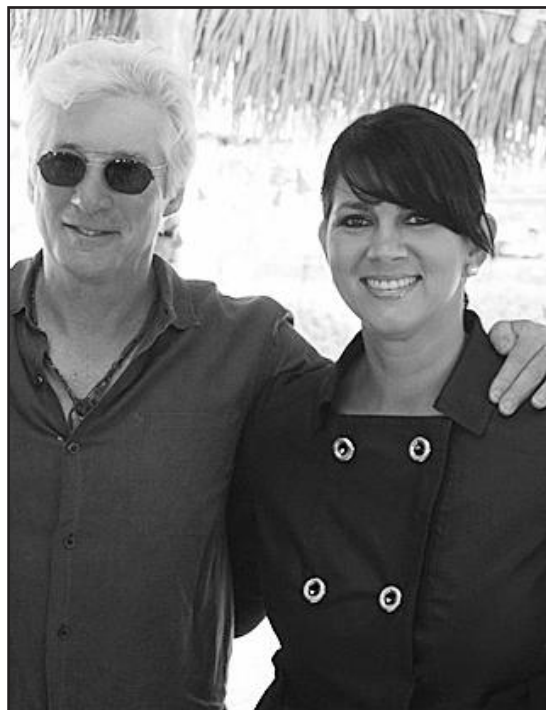
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## **Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar on AIFF:**

# **Aruba International Film Festival gave cultural and economic contribution to Aruba**



"This week Aruba experienced how a commercial event, can contribute in different areas of our country." These are the words of Minister of Economics, Social Affairs and Culture, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar, regarding the Aruba International Film Festival. "I only

have words of praise for the organizers who did a tremendous job."

Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar is convinced of the positive impact the festival had on our culture. She referred to all the interviews and workshops for producers of local film and

for the development of local and regional films. The organizers did a good job, informing the general public and especially those interested in the field of filmmaking, of the art of film making and the development of local talents.

In the economic aspect, last

week's Aruba International Film Festival, without doubt, attracted a lot of tourist who went back home with a beautiful experience and are willing to return. They will certainly spread a good word among their family members and friends of the tremendous event they experienced when visiting Aruba.

"Not leaving out the good coverage our island will receive the coming months regarding this film festival that brought tourists here of international caliber. It attracted a different kind tourist than which we are used to, tourist with great financial power,"

she continued.

Another interesting aspect during the festival was the longtime commitment made with our island, in which in a symbolic way a tree was planted at the Arikok National Park. Meanwhile the Arikok National Park had representatives at the AIFF events to promote the park and give explanations on the efforts our island is making for our nature.

Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar is convinced that Aruba needs more of this kind of propaganda, and consequently will explore all possibilities to bring more as such to our island.

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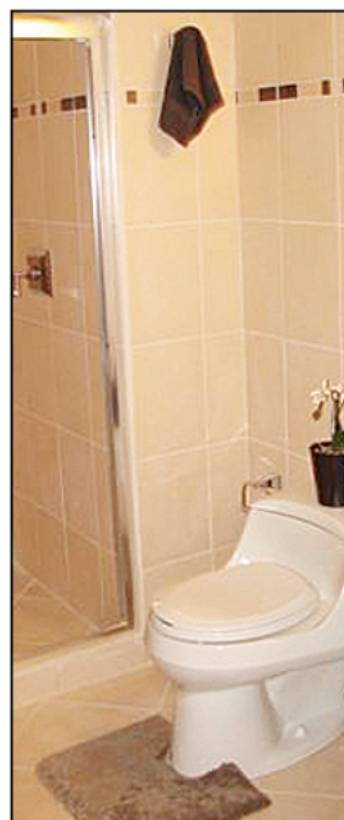
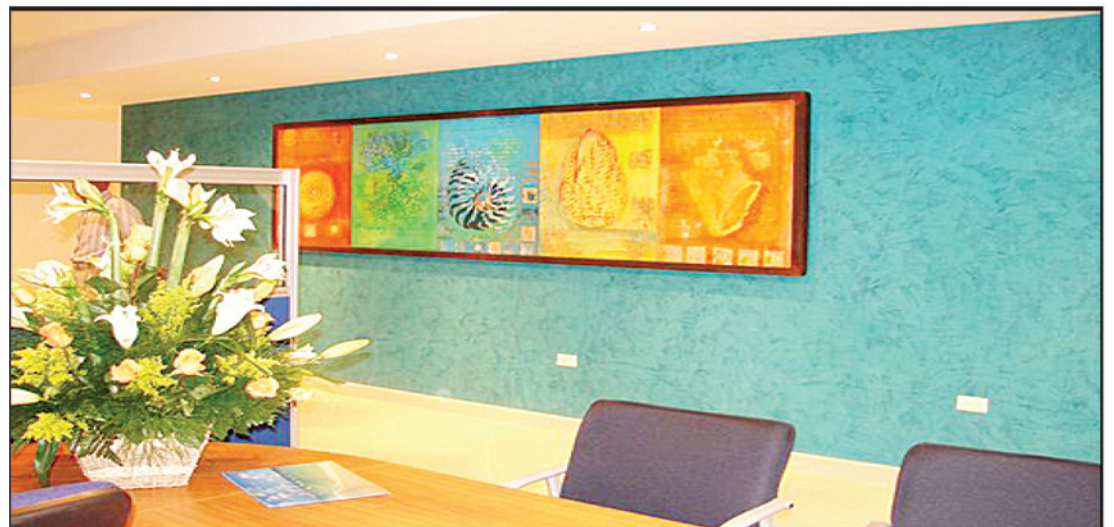


## Dufry invites everyone to meet Estee Lauder make up artist Samurai Cajar



Yesterday, Dufry Mainstreet and Dufry Royal Plaza had an in-house make up event with the International make up artist Samurai Cajar of the prestigious brand Estee Lauder. Patrons are invited to visit Dufry Mainstreet this morning for a free consultation with the Estee Lauder expert and buy the latest Estee Lauder Cosmetics and Treatments. During the week our local Estee Lauder team, make up artists Olga Londono and Ramona Garcia will be present to give advice and answer all beauty questions. Pictures show Samurai at Dufry Royal Plaza.

## Acqua Condominiums Aruba reports accelerated construction pace



Acqua Condominiums Aruba reports that the first wing of the East Tower has reached the highest point of construction. Developers have just poured the 14th floor concrete beams, and are gearing up for the launch of the second wing construction.

Mid-year, Acqua Condominiums Aruba will be pouring the foundation for the South Tower, and begin work on community amenities such as the lagoon-style pool and tropical garden, the club house, business center, spa, restaurant and grand lobby, followed by the debut of the North Tower and the completion of the entire ambitious project by 2012.

Built on 30.278 m2 of property land this exciting condominium project continues to attract buyers and investors, lured by the upscale elegance of the complex Mansions, Penthouses, Suites, Studios and Residences.

General Manager Jenner Florez and Managing Director

Oscar Helmeyer report that the development company is planning on doubling its workmen capacity within the next few weeks. Construction specialists recently laid off by the oil refinery will find new employment at Acqua Condominiums as plumbers, electricians and carpenters join the force in order to work on building the interiors.

"Work on the site has been in full swing since January 11th, when construction workers returned from their well-deserved Christmas vacation," explains Helmeyer. "And we are at the moment in negotiations with the department of labor to extend the number of

work hours to 18 a day, maintaining two full-shifts of laborers, and resulting in accelerated construction pace."

Acqua Condominiums Aruba began construction one year ago, and has been met with great enthusiasm from the get go. A stylish and contemporary sales center on Palm Beach, on the construction site, includes a number of model apartments with Kohler bathrooms and faucets, European style kitchens with granite tops, brand-name appliances, porcelain tiles, floor to ceiling UV-filtered hurricane proof windows and doors, all tastefully furnished and finished, and available for viewing.





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## Up close and personal with the stars and director of “3 Idiots”

Bollywood filmmaker Rajkumar Hirani was accompanied by two of the leading actors of the all time biggest grossing Indian film “3 Idiots,” as he walked the red carpet during its Thursday premiere at the inaugural Aruba International Film Festival. The film received a deservedly warm reception on Aruba, which surprised the director and stars. It is a charming and thoughtful piece of storytelling that has all the important elements, lush production values, great characters and plot, and a singular originality.

R. Madhavan and Sharman Joshi relaxed with Rajkumar and welcomed press members

for interviews yesterday afternoon at the Hyatt Regency Resort. Madhavan was supposed to depart for home earlier, but reports he is “enjoying his stay on Aruba so much I have changed my plans so I can spend another day.”

**TMN:** What was your initial impression of Aruba upon your arrival?

**SJ:** When we were first asked to attend a festival in the Caribbean, where we have never been, our first thought was “Where is Aruba?” Our first impression was that it is absolutely beautiful. We have tried snorkeling, and it was wonderful, the sea, the beach and the sun.

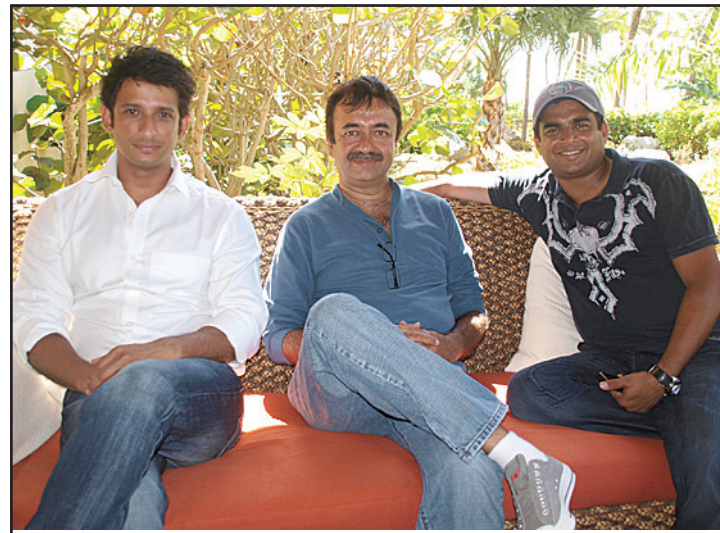
**RM:** Yes, when we first heard we were coming here we did a bit of research on the Internet; it has been great, we have gotten to do things we have never done before—snorkeling and windsurfing, we really enjoyed ourselves.

**TMN:** Were you surprised and pleased by the enormous response to your film here on the island?

**RH:** Very honestly, with the first time there being a festival here, I did not expect many people coming to watch the film. I was very pleasantly surprised to see we filled two theaters and then again after the first screening. We ended up sitting with the crowd to see how they reacted; even though they were not a Hindi-speaking audience they laughed and cried at all the appropriate times. This was enormously rewarding.

**TMN:** Is this something you would like to develop? Distributing Bollywood films on a place like Aruba or though the Caribbean—or would you wait for another film festival?

**RH:** I think Aruba shows great potential as a place for film festivals. It is a very pleasant place. If you look at all the festivals, the location is very important. It has all the proper



elements to be very successful.

I think it was very well organized for the first time, and I see there is lots of interest and the right kind of people doing it. I foresee coming back; I think this festival should grow.

**TMN:** Being stars in India you have to deal with fans approaching you at every turn. Did you find your anonymity on Aruba allowed you to move about freely and have some peace?

**RM:** Well, I was supposed to go back yesterday, and decided to extend my stay through tomorrow, so that sums it up; I am enjoying myself completely.

**TMN:** Now, Sharman, according to your bios, you come from a family that is long in the acting profession, and Madhavan sort of “stumbled” into it as a career. Did you find while working together on this film your backgrounds demonstrated a definitive difference in how you approach your craft?

**SJ:** I can’t speak for Madhavan, but I would think so. Being exposed to creativity from early on in life, having social contact with writers and actors, and coming from a theater background, I am sure had an influence in many ways in how I finally conduct myself.

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## Science/Tech.

# After Attacks, Adobe Fixes Flash Bug

Less than a week after fielding reports that hackers were targeting a bug in its Flash Player software, Adobe Systems has rushed out a fix for the problem.

Adobe's new 10.1 Flash update, released Thursday, fixed a bug that was first spotted via a small number of targeted attacks late last week.

According to Symantec, these Flash attacks are still not widespread, but users should update their Flash software as soon as possible. "We have been seeing a small but steady rise in detections of related malicious PDFs and we expect to continue to see these numbers increase over the coming hours and days," the security vendor said in a statement.

Criminals have been exploiting the flaw using malicious Flash swf files, which are typically opened by the Web browser's Flash Player plugin, or via PDFs that have maliciously encoded Flash components embedded inside them, Adobe said Thursday. Those malicious PDFs are typically opened by Reader or Acrobat, which include their own versions of Flash Player

that have not yet been patched. That fix is due June 29.

Thursday's update includes an unusually large number of security bug-fixes, 32 in all. "It's a huge number of bugs fixed, something along the lines of what we'd expect of Apple," said Andrew Storms, director of security operations with nCircle Network Security.

## Mysterious mountains hidden beneath Antarctic Ice revealed

The first detailed pictures of one of the planet's last unexplored frontiers - a vast mountain range that rivals the Alps in majesty buried underneath the ice of Antarctica - were revealed by scientists this week.

The rugged peaks soar to more than 8,000 feet (2,400 meters). They are buried beneath solid ice more than a mile (1.6 kilometers) thick, deep within Antarctica's eastern interior.

The existence of this mountain range, called the Gamburtsev Mountains, shocked the Russian scientists who first discovered it more

than 50 years ago, and mystery still shrouds the nearly 750-mile- (1,200-km-) long series of subglacial peaks.

At the International Polar Yearconference in Oslo, Norway, scientists unveiled new radar images of an area of the mountains the size of the state of New York.

"What we'd shown before was an estimate based on gravity data - a little bit of a coarse resolution tool," said Robin Bell, a senior research scientist at Columbia's Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory in New York. "What we showed at this meeting was the radar data. It's like going

from using a big, fat sharpie to using a fine-tipped pencil."

What the pictures reveal, Bell said, is spectacular: a dramatic landscape of rocky summits, deep river valleys, and liquid, not frozen, lakes, all hidden beneath the ice.

Bell was among a team of scientists from seven countries who spent two frigid months collecting geophysical data in the remote antipodean wilderness via sophisticated, aircraft-mounted instruments in late 2008 and early 2009.

The expedition provided researchers with several terabytes of information - just one terabyte could hold two days worth of songs or one million pictures. Although it will take years to process all that data, Bell hopes the numbers will answer some of the questions surrounding the Gamburtsev Mountains. A big one is how they formed in the first place.

"We now know it's not a volcanic mountain range," said study team member

Kathryn Rose, of the British Antarctic Survey. "And uplift by a hotspot in the mantle is probably out in terms of a mechanism of formation." (The mantle is the scorching hot, molten rock that underlies Earth's crust and is the source of volcanic magma.)

Rose said the data are also providing invaluable insight into the evolution of the colossal East Antarctica Ice Sheet - the 6 million square miles (15.5 million square km) of ice that conceals the Gamburtsev Mountains and is important to understand in terms of its potential to melt in a warming world.

"Scientists need to improve our understanding of ice sheets and their dynamics because it impacts sea level everywhere," Bell told OurAmazingPlanet, emphasizing that new insights are guaranteed for years to come.

"We're still scratching our heads as to how the mountains were made and why they're still there," she said. "But I think we have the data we need to solve the puzzle."

# Tobacco Plants Provide New Beauty Secret?

Will tobacco plants provide the next cosmetic filler? Very possibly, according to findings recently published in the journal *Biomacromolecules*.

Among the beauty-obsessed, the number-one problem with smoking is that it ages your skin. (Let alone what lung cancer does for the complexion.) But a new technique could re-harness the tobacco plant in the name of youthful beauty.

Researcher Oded Shoseyov of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem has figured out how to get tobacco plants to produce a human-like collagen. Collagen is the main protein in skin, tendons, cartilage, bone and connective tissue. It typically declines during the normal aging process, allowing cheeks to sag and wrinkles to set in.

While primarily being marketed for medical purposes - such as for bone and



currently comes from farm animals, such as cows and pigs, and human cadavers. Collagen from such sources can carry viruses and prions, such as those associated with mad-cow disease. The new collagen avoids these risks, the researchers say.

It is not that tobacco plants naturally have these beautifying or medical benefits. Producing human-like collagen from a tobacco plant is a technological feat, involving the simultaneous "turning on" of five specific genes in a genetically modified tobacco plant.

Cosmetic uses of the new collagen are currently unlikely, Lapido said, as the price is several hundred to several thousand times more expensive than other options. But it may become more reasonable, she said, "in a few years time."

heart repairs - the new synthetic collagen may someday be used cosmetically.

"This is a very unique collagen," said Noa Lapido, assistant vice president of CollPlant, the company handling the patents coming from Shoseyov's laboratory. "It is very very similar to human collagen and, as it has not come in contact with any animals, it is much better and much safer than other collagens."

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### Pecans: Handful a day keeps aging at bay



Eating pecans daily may delay age-related muscle nerve degeneration, U.S. re-

searchers suggest.

Lead researcher Thomas Shea of the Center for Cellu-

lar Neurobiology at the University of Massachusetts in Lowell carried out a number of laboratory studies on three groups of mice especially bred to demonstrate a decline in motor neuron function.

The researchers found mice fed a diet supplemented with ground pecans had a significant delay in decline in motor function compared to mice receiving no pecans. Mice eating the diet with the most pecans -- 0.05 percent - fared best.

Results were based on how the mice on the control diet vs. those on the pecan-enriched diet performed in specific tests.

The study, published in Current Topics in Nutritional Research, suggests pecans contain a high amount of a natural antioxidants that help fight against cell damage.

"These findings suggest regular consumption of pecans may provide significant nutritive and antioxidant benefits for your body," Shea said in statement.

the risk of diabetes.

Coffee also caused beneficial changes in the fatty liver and inflammatory adipocytokines related to a reduced diabetes risk, Horio said.

Caffeine may be "one of the most effective anti-diabetic compounds in coffee," the scientists said in a statement.

The study was published in the Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry.

### Why coffee may help prevent diabetes

NAGOYA, Japan -- The caffeine in coffee may be the compound that makes coffee help prevent diabetes, researchers in Japan found.

Fumihiko Horio of Nagoya University and colleagues fed either water or coffee to a group of laboratory mice. The mice that consumed coffee had lower levels of high-blood sugar and improved insulin sensitivity in the mice -- reducing

### Tip: Coping With Stress



Who isn't stressed these days? Whether it's your job, family, finances, social life, or illness, no one is immune.

Learning to manage the stress in your life can help you live healthier and happier; enjoy your job, family and friends more; and focus your energies on things in life that really count.

The AARP recommends these steps to less stress:

Make a list of the things that cause you the most stress. Write them down, along with the level of stress they cause and how they affect you.

Take control by deciding which things on the list you can do something about -- and do them.

Unload and learn to say "no" (this might take some practice). Don't commit to new things because you feel you have to.

Don't expect perfection from yourself or others.

Set priorities. Decide what is most important for your family and you, and set time aside for those things, such as family meals, fun time or retirement planning.



# Aruba goes



Jonathan and Guiseppe (front) with Minister of Tourism Otmar Oduber and Mrs. Oduber, Sharman Joshi, Rajkumar Hirani and R Madhavan



Film stars pose with members of the Indian community and Minister of Public Health and Sports, Richard Visser

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Guiseppe and Patrizia with the night's sponsor, Gary Malwani of Little Europe

Judging by the penultimate night of the Aruba International Film Festival, one must declare the fledgling festival a resounding success. The red carpet premiere of the top-grossing Bollywood film of all time, "3 Idiots," attracted an enormous audience, simultaneously filling two screening rooms and producing long lines waiting to view the second show; practically unheard of at Aruban cinemas.

The presence of two of the film's leading actors, R. Madhavan and Sharman Joshi along with the director,

Rajkumar Hirani, attracted not only all of Aruba's sizable Indian community to the Paseo Herencia Mall, but also many being introduced to the artistry of Bollywood cinema for the first time. Organizers of the festival and attending guests truly immersed themselves in the spirit of India, many arriving garbed in typical dress, contributing to the glitter and glamour of the Latin American premiere of this delightful film.

Longinus Fernandes, choreographer of the famous dance sequence at the end of



Indian glamour on the red carpet with Valerie Pietersz-Camacho

"Slumdog Millionaire" was also on island for the festival. Working with dozens of dancers from Aruba of all ages, he presented a breathtaking reprise in the Plaza Padu, and later during the Bollywood after party in the ballroom of the Marriott Aruba Resort & Stellaris Casino.

"Working with these young Aruban dancers has been the most remarkable experience," he informed the appreciative audience. "They mastered this dance number with only two hours of rehearsal; an incredible achievement."



# Bollywood!



Sanju Luidens Daryanani with Myrna Jansen with Guiseppe and Jonathan in Indian dress.



At left, Richard Visser's wife dances in Indian dress; at right, DJ Kushku on the red carpet



At left, Longinus Fernandes does salsa, at right, rehearsing with the kids



Ok everyone let's dance like we're all Bollywood stars

The film's stars and director proved eminently gracious and accommodating, gladly posing for pictures with adoring fans and signing autographs, as did Longinus. The Bollywood after party gave all those attending an opportunity to become a part of the show, as DJ Kushku and Longinus demonstrated how

to perform the popular dances that regularly grace the films from India.

"3 Idiots" stars R. Madhavan and Sharman Joshi expressed their delight with Aruba, having spent a few days enjoying the island's amenities and describing it as "an exotic paradise," swearing to return with their fami-

lies just to vacation. Sharman Joshi also expressed great surprise at the overwhelming interest by Arubans in their film; gratifying proof that Bollywood has a great deal to offer the movie going public beyond India's borders.

*By Rosalie Klein*

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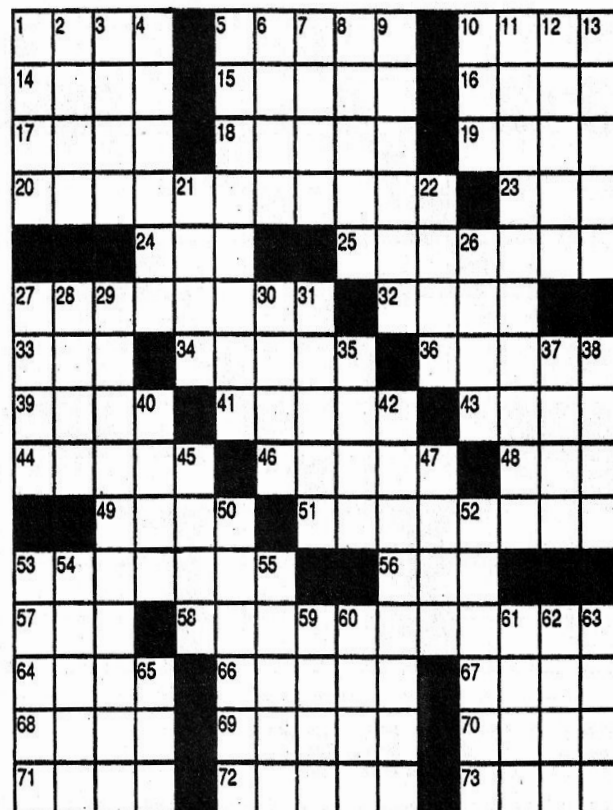
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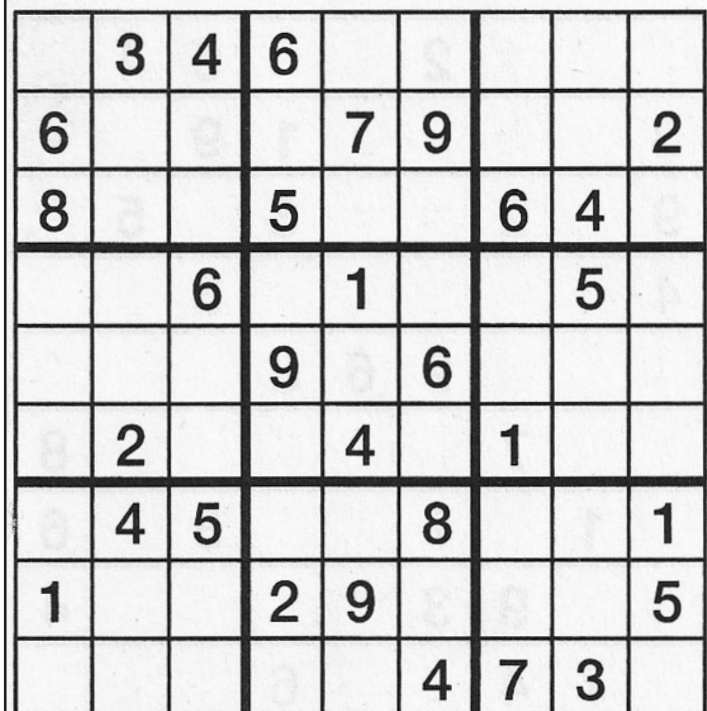
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7	2	8	3	4	5	1	9	6
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## Report: Morgan Stanley, JPM may get GM IPO lead role

NEW YORK — Morgan Stanley and JPMorgan Chase & Co are likely to be the lead underwriters in General Motors' initial public offering, The Wall Street Journal reported yesterday, a role more attractive for its prestige than its fees.

Banks were competing fiercely to underwrite an offering that could be as big as \$10 billion, the newspaper reported, citing people familiar with the matter.

At that size, the deal would be the largest U.S. IPO since Visa Inc's offering of \$19.7 billion in March 2008, and one of the biggest U.S. offerings of all time.

The U.S. Treasury Depart-

ment owns nearly 61 percent of the automaker's common shares after GM filed for bankruptcy last year. The automaker has since emerged from Chapter 11, and an IPO is a key step for GM to end its support from the government.

"The sooner they can get the government out of there the better," IHS Global Insight analyst Aaron Bragman said.

Morgan Stanley has been one of the government's key advisers in restructurings during the financial crisis. The bank advised the U.S. Treasury on Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and is helping the government sell its remaining stake in Citigroup. (C.N)

## How to get a ton of glowing testimony form your customers for free, and what to do with them to generate bigger profits

by Ken Varga



Hi, I am Ken Varga. I want to share with you some of the ideas, strategies, and principles that allowed me to build 35 businesses during my career.

By earnestly applying the ideas, you will learn how you too can build your business to success, while living an unhurried life, filled with family, friends, fun and a relaxed attitude.

Two questions I received this week had to do with getting testimonials and creating back ends. So let's talk about those.

The key to getting testimonials is to just ask for them. That's right. Just ask for them.

Many of your customers will be happy to give them to you.

There are many ways to go about getting testimonials, but here's a short list of ideas for obtaining them.

1. Include a short questionnaire asking for comments with any product you deliver. You can do this at the point of sale, or you can do this with a follow-up letter that you mail to them.

2. Do a survey of your customers and offer a free gift to anyone who helps.

3. When you communicate with your customers, tell them that you're looking for stories about your product or business.

4. When you talk to cus-

tomers on the phone or face-to-face, ask for testimonials.

But this is so important that I can't stress this statement enough.

These testimonials are worthless if you don't use them. So immediately put them to work:

1. The best testimonials are those that are very specific. "I earned an extra \$10,000 last year with your sales software system." Is a lot better than "I earned more money last year with your system."

2. Use these testimonials liberally in all your advertising. They are the proof of your claims and establish credibility. They also show that real people use your product and like it. In your advertising use the testimonials to back up one of your claims.

For example: If you claim that your product will save executives many hours of wasted time, back it up with a specific statement from one of your customers:

"You will save many hours of wasted time with the Brand X product."

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"As John Doe of XXX Corp says, 'Last year Brand X saved me at least one hour per day in wasted time. That's more than 20 hours each month.'"

3. Last but not least, you must get permission to use the full name and city of your testimonials. I've learned so much by testing testimonials that I now use the person's full name, city, and state and phone number. But you must make sure that you get written permission before using any testimonials.

Now for back end...

How about this for a headline?

"Why your 'back end' may be 1,000 times more profitable than your initial sale...and what to do to take advantage of it now!"

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A back end is what you sell to a customer following the initial sale to that customer.

You should keep a database with the name of every person who buys or who makes an inquiry to you. Then you must sell them all kinds of related products, services or upgrades.

Here's an example:

Real estate agents could make deals with painters, wall-paper hangers, yard services, landscapers, carpenters, plumbers, etc.

Another option for you is that if you don't want to sell the related products, you can make a deal with a company that does. In exchange for a piece of the action, you'll supply them with the names of your customers. Don't be bashful. 50% of a profit is not unreasonable in many cases. Keep in mind that they're getting business they wouldn't otherwise have gotten.

The key to success in reselling your customers is the fact that you don't need to make a big profit on your initial sale.

If each customer is worth, let's say, \$1,000 in profit to you in the long run, you could afford to lose almost that on the first sale, just to get them as a customer. Otherwise, you may be throwing away thousands upon thousands of dollars in lost profit because you refused to take a loss on the initial sale.

Rework your existing customers again and again. Spend as much time on them as you do on prospecting. They are your best source of business because they already have a relationship with you. They know who you are. People who are not existing customers don't know who you are yet, so again, rework your existing customers over and over, again and again.

## Retail sales drop is first in 8 months

NEW YORK -- Retail sales fell for the first time in eight months in May, the government said yesterday, widely missing analyst expectations.

Total retail sales fell 1.2% to \$362.5 billion last month, compared with April's upwardly revised 0.6% increase, the Commerce Department said.

It was first decline since last

September, when retail sales fell 2.3%. Economists surveyed by Briefing.com expected sales would increase by 0.2% in May.

Sales excluding autos and auto parts dropped 1.1% last month.

Economists had projected sales excluding autos to edge up 0.1% in May

### YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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## Aruba International Film Festival organizers enjoy dinner with artists



Recently, in a relaxed ambiance, the organizers of the International Film Festival enjoyed dinner with film artists Griffin Dunne and his wife, and Patricia Clarkson. The group went to Buccaneer Restaurant where they savoured the delicious cuisine the restaurant offers. Photo shows the group, including Jonathan Vieira and Film Festival Director Claudio Massenza having a great time.

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## Team Aruba returns to Martin for ADRL Summer Drags VI



Team Aruba races in the first qualifying round



Team Aruba prepares to race at Maryland International Raceway

UNION, South Carolina - Team Aruba is back on the long road to Martin, Michigan to compete in the American Drag Racing League (ADRL) Ford Drive One Summer Drags VI this weekend at U.S. 131 Motorsports Park.

After a two-week break, the team is eager to get back on the eighth-mile track. The team made a stop in Ohio to test and prepare the Aruba.com pro stock racecar prior to the qualifier rounds which were held

held yesterday.

"We stopped in Norwalk to test our car," says Team Aruba driver, Trevor Eman. "We haven't been on the track since the ADRL event in Virginia a few weeks back, so we are very ready to race."

Regarding the team's performance this season, Team Aruba is hungry for a race victory. "We know we can perform better. We have a good, powerful car," Eman comments. "We just need to fine

tune our weak points and we'll be back on track."

The ADRL Summer Drags is the fifth event this season towards the 2010 ADRL World Finals, held at Texas Motorplex in late October.

"For now, we have our sights set on qualifying for the 'ADRL Battle for the Belts' race this year," Eman says. "Our team is determined and dedicated to working our hardest to be there."

## Up close and personal . . .

Continued from page 3

Having said that, I would think there is a huge difference for kids who come from cinema, having parents that were connected to the film business, I could see a marked difference in the level of comfort we have. When my graduation from school was approaching, my top choices in careers were being an actor or getting an MBA, which was most unlikely. I did some amateur theater, and had positive reactions.

TMN: Without that sort of background, do you think Indian families react negatively to their children wanting to become actors?

RM: Yes, I think the family goes through a shock and initially reacts badly. I came to acting rather late; I did not do my first film until I was 30. As for my approach to acting, I come to it with a clean slate, and I just let the director work with me and do the best to guide me to giving him what he wants from me. I was an engineer, I had never done theater; I just go by instinct.

At that moment, Madhavan informed us all he had just received a message that "3 Idiots" had just grossed \$75,000,000 million worldwide, when it cost only seven

million to make. This would be a standard that would make any film a box office success, no matter its country of origin.

TMN: Were you two enthusiastic about being in the film? Did you think it would be such a success?

RM: It is an honor to be involved in any film by Rajkumar, but I was bullish about this script from the first day I read it. I know it would be a hit.

SJ: For sure, it has been such a treat working on this film...I am glad I could be a part of this; I am so happy and proud of it.

by Rosalie Klein



## Salma Hayek Angry About New Immigration Laws



"Of all these things that are going on, what surprises me the most is the lack of humanity with which immigrants are being treated," the Oscar-nominated actress told Notimex.

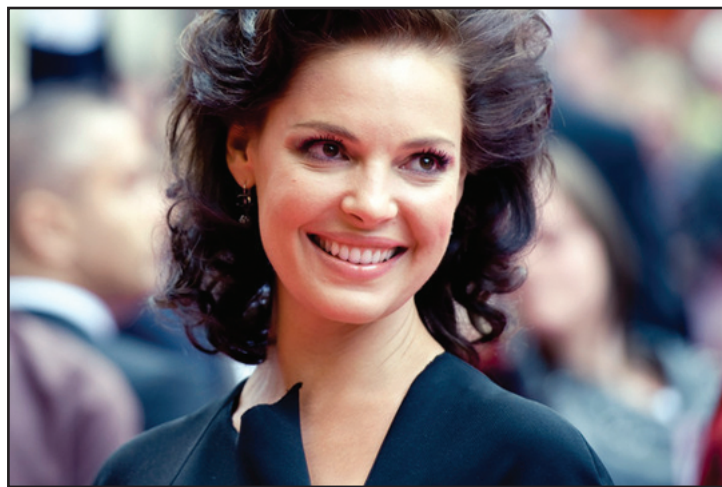
"What saddens me a lot is how the United States—which has always been considered a global hero that helps other countries—doesn't help people from other lands who come to their country, that is contradictory," concluded Hayek.

It's not the first time Hayek has spoken out against laws that criminalize immigrants.

Salma Hayek, who was born and raised in Mexico but is now a naturalized U.S. citizen, was asked recently about the new immigration laws passed in Arizona. The bill, entitled SB 1070, essentially gives law enforcement officials carte blanche to use racial profiling tactics and Hayek took the opportunity to voice her strong opinions on the matter.

Back in May, 2006 she publicly decried a bill being considered in by the US House of Representatives that would make illegal immigrants in the U.S. felons. "As a human being, I find this situation intolerable," Hayek told the New York Daily News. "As an immigrant, I find it offensive. And as an American citizen, I find it disheartening."

## Katherine Heigl Says Being a Working Mom Is Tough



Katherine Heigl just wrapped up her latest movie *Killers*, but she hated leaving her 18-month-old daughter Naleigh behind every day.

At the European premiere last night, she said: "It's difficult but it's like any working mom I think you have to make some compromises. It's easier said than done, but I knew that I wanted to keep working, I love what I do but it's really hard to leave her -- I feel horrible."

But when quizzed on whether she would like to add to her brood and adopt again, she nodded and said: "I hope to, yes."

She added, "'It's so funny. My mom and I joke about it

when people say 'You're just doing it because it's trendy.' My mom says 'Well, I'm trendier than everybody because I was doing it in the 1970s when I adopted your sister.'

"I'm very grateful for this little being in my life. I'm very grateful she's my daughter. I'm so grateful we found each other."

And as for Heigl's partner in parenting, husband Josh Kelley? She said, "I'm still so infatuated with him. We've been together four and a half years so you'd think by now it would start to feel a little bit calm but I still think he's so hot and so sexy and he's a great dad."

## Michael Kors and Usher Win Top Honors at FiFi Awards



Singer Usher poses for a photo backstage with his award after winning the award for 2010 Fragrance Celebrity of the Year at the 2010 FiFi Awards

New York — For those looking to smell a little sweeter, look no further than the 2010

FiFi award winners, the annual show that doles out honors for the top fragrances on the market.

Held last Thursday night, at the Downtown Armory in New York, the big winners of the night, Michael Kors and Usher, were on hand to pick up their awards: For Kors, the FiFi "Hall of Fame" award and for Usher, "Male Celebrity Fragrance of the Year."

Kim Kardashian, Sofia Vergara and Tinsley Mortimer cheered them along, as well as winners Bath & Body Works for "Retailer of the Year," Tom Ford Grey Vetiver by the Estee Lauder

Cos. Inc. for "Fragrance of the Year, Men's Luxe" and Lola Marc Jacobs by Coty Prestige for "Fragrance of the Year, Women's Luxe."

As for the fragrances with the most popular appeal, Halle by Halle Berry, created by Coty, nabbed the women's award while Antonio Banderas' *Seduction in Black* by Puig USA Inc. was the winner in the men's category

Niche fragrance brand Bond No. 9 New York won "Fragrance of the Year, Nouveau Niche" in both the women's and men's categories for their scents Bond No. 9 Astor Place and Bond No. 9 Brooklyn respectively.

And for its legendary fragrances, Calvin Klein Cosmetics and licensing partner Coty Prestige were given the "Fragrance Hall of Fame" award for their long-standing scent CK One.

## Concert draws nearly 8.5 mln viewers in S. Africa

JOHANNESBURG — The World Cup opening concert in Soweto attracted nearly 8.5 million television viewers in South Africa, the highest for an entertainment event in recent history, a survey showed on Friday.

Thousands of people rocked Orlando Stadium in South Africa's biggest township on Thursday, to sing at the first World Cup concert.

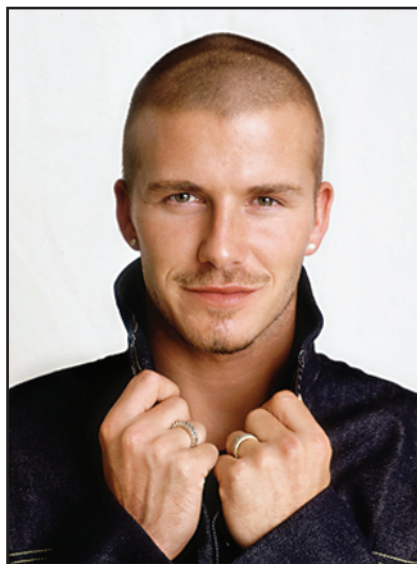
The concert was broadcast live around the world, and stars included Alicia Keys, Angelique Kidjo and Vusi Mahlasela. Colombian pop star Shakira sang the official World Cup anthem "Waka Waka (This time for Africa)" with South African group Freshly Ground.

## David Beckham's Life to Be Made into Comic Book

*Spiderman. Superman. Batman. David Beckham?*

The soccer player -- who is married to former Spice Girl Victoria Beckham -- is the inspiration behind the new comic book *Fame*: David Beckham, which will document his rise to superstardom.

Peter Rogers, the writer of the comic, said: "Working on the Beckham book was quite different from any other comic I've worked on to date. Telling someone's real life story was quite a challenge, and I tried to find as many ways as possible to ensure that it was visually interesting



and not just a case of, 'he did

this, and then he did that.'"

The comic will also feature David's influence on the fashion world, with his numerous style changes and haircuts through the years documented.

David, 35, will be the first sports star to feature in publisher Bluewater's *Fame* series.

Other stars to have been transformed into comic book characters by the publishers include Lady Gaga, Taylor Swift, Robert Pattinson and Hillary Clinton.



## Celtics rebound at home to level see-saw NBA finals 2-2



BOSTON, Massachusetts — Glen Davis scored nine of his 18 points in the fourth quarter and Nate Robinson also came off the bench to finish with 12 points as Boston beat Los Angeles 96-89 in game four of the NBA finals.

Paul Pierce had 19 points, six rebounds and five assists for the Celtics, who used a balanced scoring attack to beat the Lakers Thursday and level the best-of-seven championship series at two games apiece.

"I felt like a beast. Like I couldn't be denied," said Davis, who shot seven of 10 from the field.

"It was all will and determination. This is where you grab the moment. It is immortality. All you can do is play in the moment."

The sold out Boston Garden crowd of 18,624 was treated to a superb performance by the Celtics' bench in what started out as a defensive battle before Boston busted loose in the fourth. The Celtic's bench outscored the Lakers bench 36-18.

With the win the Celtics avoided falling into the to-date impossible 3-1 deficit and assured they will be heading back to Los Angeles for a game six. Game five is Sunday in Boston. No NBA team has ever come back from a 3-1 hole in finals history to win the title.

The Celtics, who won it all in 2008, are seeking their NBA record 18th title while defending champion Los An-

geles are looking for their 16th title in franchise history.

The Celtics kept it close through three quarters then got their bench and offense untracked, outscoring the Lakers 34-29 in the fourth quarter.

The Celtics came out with another great start for the second game in a row and led 19-16 at the end of the first before allowing the Lakers to take a 45-42 lead at the half.

"We knew we had to bring our energy," Robinson said. "We stayed together and kept our composure. I wanted to fire the crowd up."

"Each team is fighting for a ring. He (Rivers) was letting us roll. I want to give Doc a hug."

The game was emotional and physical at times as the

players exchanged words during breaks in the action and the Celtics bench players like Robinson and Davis seemed to feed off their excitement of the crowd.

Davis and Robinson were the most animated of the Celtics. At one point late in the game, Davis celebrated a score by letting out a Tarzan yell while Robinson jumped on his back.

Lakers coach Phil Jackson had a more serious assessment of what happened.

"They were emotional and they played desperate and got away with it. Their animation affected us but we couldn't get the momentum back."

Kobe Bryant finished with 33 points and Pau Gasol had 21 points for the Lakers. Boston's Paul Pierce buried an NBA finals record eight threes in game two but Thursday it was Bryant's turn to add the long ball to his arsenal.

Bryant nailed six-of-11 from the arc but he also finished the game with five fouls and committed seven turnovers as the Celtics did a good job of making sure one of the best closers in the NBA didn't take over the game in the final two minutes.

Jackson said he was forced to keep his starters in the game too long because no one else was stepping up. He singled out Bryant in particular as being slowed by the extra minutes. He was also forced to sit centre Andrew Bynum for most of the second half with a problematic right knee.

"We didn't get good production from our bench," Jackson said. "We had to play our starters who got tired."

"(Bryant) was tired and so he couldn't finish it out the way he wanted to finish it."

## NBA FINALS



### BOSTON VS. L.A. LAKERS

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LOS ANGELES 91, BOSTON 94 (LA LEAD 2-1)

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## Soriano tags Peavy for 300th career blast

**Cubs left fielder reaches milestone in second inning Friday**

CHICAGO -- Cubs outfielder Alfonso Soriano became the 127th Major League player to hit 300 home runs, launching his milestone blast into the left-center-field bleachers in the second inning on Friday.

Soriano connected on a 1-2 pitch from White Sox right-hander Jake Peavy with one on in the second to tie the Interleague game at 2. It was Soriano's 10th homer this season and his first since May 23.

He joins teammate Derrek

Lee, who hit his 300th home run on Wednesday in Milwaukee. Lee became the seventh player to reach the milestone while with the Cubs; Soriano is now the eighth. The list includes Sammy Sosa, Billy Williams, Ernie Banks, Ron Cey, Andre Dawson and Ron Santo.

As a Yankee, Soriano's first career home run was Sept. 24, 1999, off Tampa Bay's Norm Charlton.

Of his 10 homers this year, eight have been with runners on base and seven have been off right-handers.

## Chicago celebrates Blackhawks' Stanley Cup win

CHICAGO —Thousands of cheering Blackhawks fans lined the streets of downtown Chicago on Friday to congratulate the team for winning the franchise's first Stanley Cup championship since 1961.

The triumphant Blackhawks rode through the streets of Chicago in double-decker buses as fans roared and confetti spilled from the rooftops. Team legends, including Stan Mikita and Tony Esposito, joined current players on the open-topped buses.

A sea of fans wearing the team's red-and-black colors streamed into the streets behind the caravan as it headed to Michigan Avenue.

The parade and rally drew new fans along with die-hards like 23-year-old Andy Dwyer of St. Charles, who has the tattoos to prove it, one on each calf and the newest inked on Wednesday. He said his team will go all the way again next year.

"I love my Blackhawks," said Dwyer.




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### Vegas books tab Spain, Brazil World Cup favorites

LAS VEGAS —Sports books in Nevada consider Spain and Brazil the teams to beat in the World Cup, with Spain a 3.5-1 favorite to win its first title.

Casinos are giving Brazil 4-1 odds and Argentina 11-2 odds to win the global soccer showdown, oddsmaker Tony Sinisi of Las Vegas Sports Consultants said. The firm provides betting odds to 90 percent of sports books in the state.

Sinisi said bettors can gamble on the United States to win the championship at 40-1. That's down from 60-1 previously. The Americans are scheduled to play England in their first group play match on Saturday.

"Those are heartfelt bets," said Jay Kornegay, executive director of the race and sports book at the Las Vegas Hilton. "The top eight teams or so are definitely bets that are made from the head, but once you get to the U.S., I think it's more of a bet made from the heart."

Kornegay says he's still rooting for the United States to win the title— even if it means his casino loses money.

### World-Wave on the wane as fans opt to blow the vuvuzela

JOHANNESBURG — South Africa's vuvuzela trumped the Mexican wave in the big match of the day in the stands while Mexico salvaged a late draw against the hosts in the World Cup opening game on Friday.

Tens of thousands of fans blasted the plastic trumpet in the match against hosts South Africa, creating a cacophony of sound to spur their team on—or to simply spar with

England is a more than 2-1 favorite to beat the U.S., and 6-1 to win the tournament, Sinisi said.

Kornegay and Sinisi said they expect Americans to wager more money on the 32-team soccer tournament this year, but far less than the amounts to be gambled in Europe.

Of course, in the United States, the NFL and college football are kings among sports bettors.

Sinisi said marquee matchups, like the U.S.-England game, will likely draw action comparable to the amounts seen for a typical Saturday game between two good college football teams.

Kornegay said the amount gambled on the late rounds of the tournament would likely compare to a low-tier NFL game.

But Kornegay said he expected betting to increase 20 to 30 percent compared with the 2006 World Cup, in line with previous increases.

He says the World Cup has room to grow among American bettors, helped by increased promotion of the tournament and its broadcasts.

other supporters.

The din was ceaseless throughout the 90 minutes of the match and many kept blowing their instruments through halftime. The only let-up was during the two national anthems before the match.

An early attempt at the circling crowd wave made famous during the 1986 World Cup in Mexico, however, soon floundered.

### Australia-Germany Preview

Germany is accustomed to cruising into the knockout stage of the World Cup. This time, it has to get through perhaps the toughest group in South Africa. The Germans look to open the tournament by extending their group-phase unbeaten streak to 18 when they face Australia in Durban on Sunday. Germany has won three World Cups and lost in the final four times. The team has dominated the group stage, going 12-0-5 since being stunned 2-1 by Algeria in 1982.

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South Africa 1 - Mexico 1, France 0 - Uruguay 0

## Tshabalalala gets the party started



South Africa's Tshabalalala (L) celebrates scoring with teammate

A dream came true," declared FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter before the 2010 FIFA World Cup™ got under way today in Johannesburg and there was very nearly a dream start for hosts South Africa. Bafana Bafana started slowly

against a slick Mexico side but looked likely winners once Siphile Tshabalalala had fired them in front in spectacular fashion early in the second half. Instead they had to make do with a draw as Rafael Marquez's 80th-minute

equaliser prevented the third African triumph in the Opening Match – and ensured the first draw since 1986. Home fans may bemoan misses by Teko Modise and Katlego Mphela either side of Mex-

### Sixty years later, US and England meet again

RUSTENBURG, South Africa —When they emerged victorious the last time, they wound up calling it "The Game of Their Lives."

Once-unknown players have spent a lifetime reliving memories of that unexpected night in Belo Horizonte, when the United States rose up and defeated mighty England in the World Cup.

Sixty years removed and 4,449 miles from that stadium in Brazil, the nations finally meet again today in a game that matters, a rematch in this year's World Cup opener for both teams.

Once again, England is stocked with the talented and the wealthy, carrying the hopes of long-suffering supporters who still believe even though 44 years have passed since the Three Lions' last and only World Cup title.

And while the Americans are no longer obscure, and many have gained experience with the very Premier League clubs that produced England's stars, they remain outsiders, eager to earn the respect of not only the soccer powers but of a skeptical public back home.



France and Uruguay in action

ico's leveller, the latter striking a post, yet the first-half supremacy of Javier Aguirre's men meant few neutrals could begrudge them their point.

After that sparkling start in Soccer City, attention switched to Cape Town's Green Point Stadium where 2006 runners-up France endured a frustrating evening against Uruguay. It might have been different had Sidney Govou not turned wide Franck Ribery's inviting ball across goal after seven minutes. Instead a game of few chances unfolded. Yoann

Gourcuff and Diego Forlan was each foiled by the opposition keeper but perhaps we should have expected that. Uruguay had not scored a first-half goal in their previous nine FIFA World Cup matches; France had not scored in their two previous opening fixtures on the world stage. Not even the 81st-minute dismissal of Uruguay substitute Nicolas Lodeiro – who earned two yellow cards in 18 minutes on the field – opened the door to France, ensuring Group A remains wide open.



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